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EXHIBIT: #VII.D.

TO: Members of the State Board of Education

FROM: William H. Beardsley, Acting Commissioner*

DATE: January 13, 2016

SUBJECT: Consideration of the Report of Findings by a State Board Approved Review

Team for the Burlington College Out-of-State Institution Application Review

<u>BACKGROUND</u>: On December 9, 2015 the State Board approved to receive the Report of Findings for the Burlington College out-of-state application review. The review team met with ENITE and Burlington College on the 13th and 16th of November to obtain data in rendering the final report of findings along with recommendations. Burlington College has created a partnership with the New England Institute for Teacher Education (ENITE), LLC of Stonington, Maine to offer courses.

<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>: That the State Board of Education (SBE) approves the request from Burlington College to offer academic degree credit courses in Maine through the New England Institute for Teacher Education with the recommendations made for Standards D and E and recommends a two year probationary period pending a self-study for approval by the SBE at the end of the two years.

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